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## **Impact of Federal Health Reform in Kansas**

KHPA Board to Receive Analysis at May 18 Meeting

(TOPEKA) – The Kansas Health Policy Authority Board will receive a report this week about the projected impact that federal health reform will have in Kansas. The analysis will be presented when the Board meets from 1-4 p.m. Tuesday, May 18, at the HP Enterprise Services Building, 6700 S. Topeka Blvd., Bldg. 283, "J" Street, in the Topeka Air Industrial Park.

The report is a follow-up to <u>an earlier report in November</u> which examined the impact on State General Fund spending from two health reform proposals that were being considered in Congress at that time. The new report analyzes the final legislation – the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act and the Health Care and Education Affordability Reconciliation Act – which were passed by Congress and signed into law in March.

In addition to examining the fiscal impact on state spending, the new analysis also looks at the impact on the broader insurance market in Kansas, including employers and consumers.

KHPA Executive Director Andy Allison and Steve Schramm, managing director of schrammraleigh Health Strategy, will be available to answer media questions for approximately 30 minutes after the Board adjourns.

An agenda for the Board meeting is attached, and is available on the KHPA website.

<u>Note:</u> Media planning to attend the Board meeting are asked to park in the parking lot immediately west of the HP Enterprise Services building.

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